HOUSE BILL 1301

By West

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 7, Part 3, relative to unemployment benefits appeals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-7-304(e), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1) The board of review shall permit any of the parties to a decision of an unemployment hearing officer to initiate further appeals before it. The board may remove to itself or transfer to another unemployment hearing officer proceedings of any claim pending before an unemployment hearing officer. Any proceedings so removed shall be heard by a quorum thereof, in accordance with the requirements in subsection (c). The board of review shall give the parties notice of the time and date of the hearing, and that additional evidence relevant to the claim may be presented at such hearing. The board shall promptly give written notice to all interested parties of its findings and decision. Any decision of the board shall be the final decision of the commissioner. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.